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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING NATIONAL PATENT APPLICATION
Under 35 USC 111(a) and Rule 53(b)

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PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Herewith is the PATENT APPLICATION of
Inventor(s): Kazuhiko Honda

Title OPTICAL DISC RECORDING METHOD, OPTICAL DISC
RECORDING DEVICE, AND OPTICAL DISC

Atty. Dkt.: P 0277000 H7519US

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including:

Date: May 23, 2001

1. Specification: 50 pages (only spec. and claims) 2. ☐ Specification in non-English language
3. Declaration ☒ Original ☐ Facsimile/Copy ☒ Abstract 1 page(s); 34 numbered claims
4. ☒ Drawings: sheet(s) ☒ informal; ☐ formal of size: ☒ A4 ☐ 11"
5. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National or International application(s). ("X" box only if info is there and do not complete item 6 or 7). (Prior M# SN)
6. This application claims benefit of the following prior US application(s), the contents of which are incorporated into this application by this reference:

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7. ☐ See the attached Preliminary Amendment, which amends the specification to claim benefit of the above listed US applications

8. ☒ Attached is an assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned. ✓

9. ☒ Assignee (optional): Yamaha Corporation

Address 10-1, Nakazawa-cho, Hamamatsu-shi, Shizuoka-ken, Japan

10. **FOREIGN** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in Japan

11. (country)

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(1) 2000-151248	May 23, 2000	(2)	
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(9)		See 3 rd page for additional priorities	

12. (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☐ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) _____
in U.S. Application No. / filed on _____
13. Small entity status ☒ is **not** claimed; ☐ is claimed (**Pre-filing confirmation required**)
- 13(a). ☐ Attached: (No.) Small Entity Statement(s) (since 9/8/00 small entity statement(s) not essential to make claim)
- 13(b). ☐ See **NONPUBLICATION REQUEST** under Rule 213(a) attached (Pat-258)

14. DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

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15. ☐ This application is being filed under Rule 53(b)(2) since an inventor is named in the enclosed Declaration who was not named in the prior application.

16. ☐ Attached:

17. ☐ Preliminary Amendment:

THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY ABOVE CANCELLED

				Large/Small Entity		Fee Code
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20. Independent Claims	4	minus 3 =	*1	x \$80/\$40 =	+ 80	102/202
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21. If any proper multiple dependent claim (ignore improper) is present , add (Leave this line blank if this is a reissue application)				+ \$270/\$135	+ 0	104/204
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- ☒ Patent application (50 pages of specification; 34 claims; 1 pages of abstract)
- ☒ A Check in the amount of \$1042.00 to cover the filing fee
- ☒ 6 sheets of informal drawings
- ☒ An assignment of the invention, check for \$40.00 and recordation cover sheet.
- ☒ A Declaration/Power of Attorney
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